



## PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Labor and Industries

**Subject of possible rule making:** Public records, Chapter 296-06 WAC

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 42.17.260(5)

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:**

1. Chapter 296-06 WAC. Public Records, will be updated and revised. Clear rule writing will be used to make the rule language easier to read and understand.
2. WAC 296-06-170, Records Index, is being repealed through an expedited rulemaking, WSR#04-22-084, filed November 2, 2004, because it is inconsistent with RCW 42.17.260(5). It will be rewritten in this rulemaking to comply with the statute.
3. An indexing system will be established to assist the public in accessing L&I public records.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:**

- No other agency regulates this subject.

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- ☐ Negotiated rule making  
☐ Pilot rule making  
☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) Parties interested in the development of these rules may contact the individual listed below. Interested parties also may participate during the public comment period by submitting written comments or giving oral testimony at the public hearing.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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